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FROM JANESVILLE.

THE WAR DEMOCRATS IN COUNCIL.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

JANESVILLE, Wis., Sept. 17, 1863.

The Convention was called to order at 12 o'clock to-day, by Hon. A. Hyatt Smith. The Hon. J. E. Arnold was elected President, when committees were appointed to prepare an address, resolutions, and report business for the action of the Convention. On the resolution of Judge McArthur, W. C. Allen, F. C. Brodhead, A. Hyatt Smith, Isaac P. Walker, S. D. Littlefield, and Eugene Turner, were appointed Vice Presidents; and A. P. Blackbaly, E. G. Wheeler, J. A. Savage, and W. S. Mitchell, were appointed Secretaries. The delegation then took a recess until three o'clock, when it reassembled, and was called to order at the appointed time by the President, who made a very eloquent, able and loyal speech—one of the very best which we have listened to during the Union demonstration. A series of splendid resolutions were then read and adopted by the meeting, with immense enthusiasm—people rising from their seats, shouting and waving their hats. It was evident that the loyalty of these Union gentlemen needed no endorsement. You will have to wait for the resolutions, however, until our return, as they will make a column by themselves. Gen. Copperhead, a Mr. Packard, of Waushesha county, as we learned, tried to get up a little mess at this time, but he was terribly overwhelmed by the storm of disapproval which nestlednhim from all sides.

The address was then called for, and read in very effective manner by Judge McArthur of Milwaukee. The address was a pleasant, pithy, and here and there eloquent and earnest piece of writing, and on the whole a loyal and satisfactory expression of the opinions of a great and important political section at the present juncture of the affairs of the nation. Indeed, this address was so complete and masterly an annihilation of the Copperhead trickery and arguments in debate and their general opposition to the Government, so full of smart and brilliant hits against the hypocrites who are traitorous at heart, and who yet make the most loyal professions of good will to the Federal cause, that it should be printed and distributed gratuitously amongst the people. It was unanimously adopted by the meeting, and on the motion of an enthusiastic German, both the address and the resolutions were ordered to be translated and printed in the loyal German papers throughout the State.

Letters were then read from gentlemen in the various parts of the Union, who were prevented by their avocations from attending the meeting. Gen. Lew Wallace, Dix was out of there, but they were all too long to print in this dispatch.

Mr. Carswell of Milwaukee presented to the meeting the last will and testament of Stephen A. Douglas, and he moved that the fact be noticed in the proceedings of the meeting.

The resolution was adopted when the Convention adjourned until 7 o'clock. At that hour Gen. McClernand gives one of his loyal and soul-stirring orations, an abstract of which you will get to-morrow.

It is no reproach of the loyalty of the Badger State to declare the fact that this meeting was not so numerously attended as those which we have of late been in the habit of reporting in Illinois. The cause of this undoubtedly was the inclemency of the weather.

There were large numbers in the city, and that they came here in the two morning trains is to right and just to say that what was wanting in numbers, speaking comparatively with respect to the other meetings just alluded to, was made up by the enthusiasm and the respectability of the Convention. We saw gentlemen of high standing from all parts of the State amongst them, and the speaking was upon the whole excellent and very exciting.

FROM DUBUQUE.

Iowa State Fair—Third Day.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

DUBUQUE, Sept. 17, 1863.

The rain of last night and the cold north wind and cloudy weather of to-day kept many away. There was, however, a better attendance than on any previous day. The weather is exceedingly unpleasant.

To-day's exhibition opened with the show of locks and jennies. The display was not large.

MATCHED JENNIES.

John Walters, of Dubuque, 1st premium for matched female mules.

S. Simpson, Dubuque, 2d premium for double team, and 1st for single team.

C. Hardesty, Sand Spring, 1st and 2d for one and two year old.

SHORT HORNS.

J. McDonough, New Mallory, 1st for a Durham bull.

Day Brothers, Winchester, 1st ditto.

R. H. Wilson, Dubuque, 1st for Devon bulls.

Henry Smith, Dubuque, 2d ditto.

Richard Benson, Dubuque, 1st for a Hereford calf.

Geo. B. Sargent, Cedar county, 2d ditto.

Day Brothers, Winchester, 1st for a Durham herd of one bull and five cows.

F. M. Driskell, New Mallory, 2d do.

C. D. Reed, Iowa City, 1st for a herd of Devons. The herds were all splendid.

STALLIONS—ROADSTERS.

John Carroll, Hopkinton, 1st for a three year old.

J. C. Simpson, Salem, 1st for a seven year old.

Geo. D. Sargent, Cedar county, 2d for a two year old.

F. A. Collins, Galena, 1st for a one year old.

Geo. Sampson, Mosquiteto, 1st for a mare and colt.

O'Neil, Peoria, 1st, for sucking colt.

John Paul, Peoria, 2d, for sucking colt.

J. M. Higgins, Dubuque, 1st, for one year old filly.

Daniel Regan, Cascade, 2d, for ditto.

ROADSTERS IN HARNESS—FOUR YEAR OLD STALLIONS.

Mile heats—best three in five. Tom Ryer, owned by J. Simpson, Salem, took the 1st premium. Time, first three heats—2:37—2:35—2:38. Quickwood, owned by Geo. Sampson, Mosquiteto, 2d prem. "Royal Morgan, a thorough-bred from Brighton, Mass., owned by S. R. Craig, Galesburg, Ills., distanced, simply for exhibition, attracted universal admiration.

The Soldiers' Aid Society received upwards of $200 to-day, at their dining hall, and fancy table at fine arts' hall.

The Wheeler & Wilson sewing machines withdrew from competition because the Board refused to adopt a series of questions of the qualification for the Sewing Committee, arranged to secure impartiality and absence of all bias in its members. The questions, as propounded, made a fluttering among the committee men, the nauseous of some of whom was more significant than honorable. The President, Hon. Geo. C. Wright, and Dr. J. K. Brooks, then whom none are more honorable, heartily endorsed the adoption of the questions, but their intentions were overruled by other members of the Board.

The Fair will close to-morrow evening, but many will remain to the races on Saturday.

FROM PEORIA.

A Copperhead Mass Meeting.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

PEORIA, Ill., Sept. 17, 1863.

A grand Democratic Copperhead mass meeting was called to meet in this city to-day, at which it was promised that Dick Richardson, "My Maryland" Dick Merrick, Sunshine Hayes, and a lot of other big guns would be present and address the masses.

These distinguished Copperheads did not come, nor did the masses.

The meeting was called in the Court House square, but the number present was so small that the leaders adjourned to Parmley's Hall, which at no time during the day contained over 250 to 300 people.

A more miserable and contemptible finale never took place in this State.

T. Lyle Dickey, of Ottawa, (and a very dirty dickey he has come to be,) addressed the finale, in which he dropped himself down to the lower depth of Copperheadism.

The meeting adopted the Springfield resolutions, including the 8th, with a vim. In the evening the finale came together again at Parmley's Hall, in mass—the chief object to the effectual muzzling of Carl Schurz, Isaac N. Phillips, Gen. Fry, and the balance of active enemies of the Union, and their sympathizing friends and coadjutors in all sections, renders it prejudicial to the interests of the cause to take such a course. At present the war would be prolonged and the rebels strengthened by the aid and supplies they would derive from the loyal States.

That the Government aims at in this circular is to accomplish the maximum of benefit to the citizens of recaptured or insurrectionary districts, while the enemy enjoy the minimum of succor therefrom. Whatever is for the comfort and benefit of refugees in their homes and under the loyal flag, the circular aims to give them, but under restrictions which make these benefits "not transferable" to the rebels. The spunk of permits is limited and strengthened and under the control and his customer may be a little less at before the war, taking the place of the Government paper currency and silver not to enter into transactions. These modified and more opposite those of March 31st, are comparatively less stringent from the fact of our arms since that time, the vast steps of progress secured on the Mississippi, and the people of the Mississippi Valley and throughout the North have proved by the rebellion will the restored benefits under this the supreme folly and wickedness of Jeff Davis and his

Secretary Seward's Circular Abroad.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 16.—The London Times, Sept. 5, says:—Secretary Seward's circular, which we give in full, says: "We have to deal with the same extraordinary mixture of recent events in the war. Some, we are glad to see, are at last known to us. This letter is, in our opinion, a most repulsive one. It is entirely needless. It might determine Mr. Seward upon the subject of the recognition of the Confederate States, if he be in any hope of this; so long as he is in doubt, it may be a powerful lever to throw the balance against prospect.

Disastrous Railroad.

CHICAGO, Sept. 16.—Cars run from Pittsburgh to Fort Wayne, through San Jose, Ill., to-day. Bridge at Rock Island will be in running order for passenger trains and the balance of the road will be completed in a few days.

FROM CANADA.

Arrival of the Canada.

HALIFAX, N. S., Sept. 16, 1863.—The Canada arrived at 1 o'clock this afternoon.

Exchanges Between Generals Meade and Lee.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—The following exchange of letters between Generals Meade and Lee, relative to the treatment of negro prisoners, is published:

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, Sept. 3, 1863.

GENERAL—I have the honor to inclosure a copy of a letter addressed to Major-General Halleck, by Brigadier-General Kelton, and a copy of a letter from Brigadier-General Ewing, relative to the treatment of negro prisoners. I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant, GEORGE G. MEADE, Major-General Commanding.

GENERAL—I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 3d inst., inclosing a copy of a letter addressed to Major-General Halleck, by Brigadier-General Kelton, and a copy of a letter from Brigadier-General Ewing, relative to the treatment of negro prisoners. I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant, R. E. LEE, General.

Rebel Raid in Kentucky.

LOUISVILLE, Sept. 16.—Gen. Burbridge's cavalry, which left Lexington on the 12th, for Mt. Sterling, Ky., to intercept the rebel raiders, returned to-day, having driven the rebels from Mt. Sterling, Ky., and Winchester, Ky., and pursued them to Stanton, Ky., where they made a stand. Our cavalry then fell back to Mt. Sterling, where they now are. The rebels are said to be in large force at Stanton, Ky., and are reinforcing from Abingdon, Va., and Cumberland Gap. Our cavalry will be reinforced by infantry and artillery.

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FROM ST. LOUIS.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 17, 1863.

It is thought that the four steamers burned yesterday were fired by persons in the interest of the rebels. The conflagration was part of an extensive scheme, aiming at the destruction of all boats in the West, thus inflicting immense injury upon the Government.

Great numbers of disloyalists are in the city, some of whom have been expelled from their homes, and others who have left of their homes, and others who have come to plot treason and mischief.

There is no news from any quarter in this Department.

Judge Clover, of the Criminal Court, to-day issued writs of habeas corpus in the case of John Pack and H. J. Bockrath, drafted members of the 11th provisional regiment, for the purpose of investigating the legality of their forcible detention, it being alleged that there is no law authorizing the organization of such regiments by draft.

The 11th provisional regiment, which mutinied and deserted in a body last night from the steamer in which they were embarked, has been ordered to return to camp. Only 100 reported for duty this morning, the remainder are at large in the city.

Gen. Schofield has so far recovered from his recent injuries to be able to travel, and is expected home on Saturday.

Major General Blair arrived this evening from Washington.

Judge Clover has fixed the amount of bail for Charley and Friend Noyes charged with burglary and larceny, at $6,000 each. The trial has been set down for Monday next, but the case will probably be continued to next term.

The 66th and 67th Companies of the Invalid corps, left Camp Alexander this a. m., for Columbus, Ohio, to report to Col. Parrott, Assistant Provost Marshal General, for Ohio.

Twelve bushwackers attempted to rob the stage between Rolla and Springfield on Friday, but were met by twelve of the 2d Wisconsin cavalry, who dispersed them, killing three on the spot.

FROM ST. PAUL.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

ST. PAUL, Sept. 17, 1863.

On the 3d inst., Gen. Sibley surprised hostile Indians who were driven across the Missouri by Gen. Sibley, and fought and scattered them. He killed 100, destroyed their traps and supplies, besides taking a large number of prisoners. There were 400 lodges, which would make about 2,000 Indians.

C. J. Bridges, general manager of the Grand Trunk railway of Canada, O. S. Wood, Superintendent of the Canadian Telegraph Company, also, W. Smith, President of the Wisconsin Central Company, and Governor Dallas of the British possessions, are in the city. An important telegraphic movement is on foot, which has for its object the establishment of a telegraphic communication with Victoria. The material to build the line will be sent here this fall, and the work commenced early in the spring.

FROM QUINCY.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

QUINCY, Ill., Sept. 17, 1863.

The grand lodge of Good Templars convened on Tuesday evening, in Reed Themplars' Hall, in this city, and was called to order by S. W. Nichols, S. W. C. T.

One hundred and thirty members are in attendance. They close their labors to-night.

Total lodges in [illegible]	[illegible]
New Lodges instituted	[illegible]
Total number working lodges in State	[illegible]
Total membership	19,700

At the election of new officers, J. W. Nichols, of Macomb, was re-elected Grand Worthy Chief Templar, and Rolla Taw, of Chicago, Grand Worthy Secretary, by sixty-five majority.

A series of patriotic resolutions were reported by a special committee, and adopted. A committee of three were appointed to prepare an address to Good Templar soldiers in the field.

Chicago was fixed upon as the place for holding the next session of the Grand Lodge.

FROM THE SOUTH.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

MEMPHIS, Sept. 14, via CAIRO, Sept. 17, 1863.

There is but little that is exciting here to-day, except the report of a refugee from Mobile, to the effect that Johnston has gone to Atlanta to take command of Bragg's army, that Pemberton is in command at Mobile, and that Hardee is trying to rally Pemberton's broken army. He also says that their plan appears to be to fall upon Rosecrans at some intermediate point with all their forces concentrated, and, having whipped him, then to look after Mobile. The plan is ingenious, but won't work.

We have Mobile papers to the 6th, but they contain nothing new, except that appeal of the Mayor of Mobile for the relief of the poor. There is said to be great destitution there.

The marine brigade, which has been so efficient on the river, has been transferred to Gen. Grant's centre, and it is believed it will now realize the expectations of its friends.

The rebel Navy Department is about to remove its depot of supplies, foundries, &c., to Skipmith's Landing.

The Mobile Register, late copies of which have been received in Memphis, contain unalloyed press news confirming the statements previously made, that Johnston has been put in command of the rebel forces in Virginia.

FROM NEW ORLEANS.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

CAIRO, Sept. 16, via CAIRO, Sept. 16, 1863.

The steamer Sunshine arrived this afternoon from New Orleans. When she left on the 9th a considerable force of Federal troops had just crossed the Mississippi River for Brashear City, and the 19th Army Corps were under orders to march the next day. There seemed to be little doubt that their destination was Texas. The soldiers themselves were fully convinced that they would see the Rio Grande before they did the Mississippi again.

Gen. Grant was confined to his room quite ill from effects of his fall.

Gen. John E. Smith's division were preparing to leave Vicksburg for White River, and it is said to have orders to report to Gen. Steele, but it was not supposed that it would be sent to Vicksburg.

THE WAR IN ARKANSAS.

We Occupy Little Rock—Price Skedaddled.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

CAIRO, September 17, 1863.

The United States steamer B has just arrived from the Red River, 13th inst., bringing official information of the occupation of Little Rock, Arkansas, by our forces, without fighting or loss on either side of any consequence.

General Price, in command of the rebel forces, was in rapid retreat southward, and it was supposed that he would not make a pause until he reached the Red River country.

All quiet below the mouth of the Red River.

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CAIRO, Sept. 17.—The following dispatch has been sent to Rear Admiral D. D. Porter at this place:

Little Rock was occupied by Gen. Steele on Sept. 10th, 1863.

The rebels are retreating, and Gen. Davidson is in hot pursuit.

(Signed) GEO. M. BAGBY,
Lieut. Com'd'g U. S. Steamer Lexington.

FROM KANSAS.

Disturbed State of Affairs on the Border.

The Latest from Quantrel's Band.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

LEAVENWORTH, Kansas, Sept. 11, 1863.

On Saturday evening the commander of the post at Clinton, Henry county, received a letter from Quantrel, ordering him to remove the women and children, as he intended to attack the town on that evening. The soldiers of the 7th Missouri State militia are burning all the houses of rebel sympathizers along the border, and the rebels in retaliation are firing the property of the Unionists remaining. A fearful state of things exists in all the border counties, and general devastation is observable.

KANSAS CITY, MO., Sept. 16.—A detachment of the 9th Kansas, under Col. Coleman, came upon Quantrel's camp, near Sturgeon, Sept. 6th, killed two, destroyed a quantity of subsistence stores, captured four horses, equipments and some arms. The rebels fired one volley and fled to the thick underbrush, where pursuit is impossible. The rebels are evidently concentrating for another raid. Their loss of horses and stores will prove more disastrous than the killing of their men, as the country is completely denuded of stock and provisions.

KANSAS CITY, Sept. 15.—Yesterday was a great day with the Indians. By invitation of the chiefs of the Quapaws, Comanches, Ottawas, Seneca and other tribes, now on this Reservation, Jennison met them in council, in the timber of the Ottawa Creek, near Morris Place. Many braves and young men of the several tribes were present, as well as hundreds of the best white citizens of this section of the State.

The occasion of this "talk" was the tender, by the old chiefs, of a hundred of their young men to serve under Jennison on the "warpath." Jennison made a characteristic speech, which was very satisfactory to both the chiefs and the young men, who are very eager to serve under the Jayhawker. Jennison told them if they caught any of the Lawrence murderers, "they should have his consent to scalp them from head to heels." The Indians call him the "Big Captain," and evidently consider him a first-class warrior. It was indeed striking to see with what respect they looked at and spoke of him.

Capt. Ames expects to have a hundred of the best young men in the tribes in camp this week.

FROM WASHINGTON.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17, 1863.

LATEST FROM GEN. MEADE.

News from Gen. Meade is meagre.

The enemy attempted to force a passage to this side of the Rapidan, and advanced for that purpose en masse, with full complement of artillery, but was easily repulsed by the second army corps, successfully prevented their crossing.

It is quite evident that either Meade or Rosecrans will soon be attacked by the concentrated forces of the rebels in a last desperate throw.

Guerrillas have appeared again in our rear to-day. They captured ten teamsters' wagons with full contents, at Catlett's station. From the number of Sutler wagons taken in that region it seems the Sutlers rather like the operation. They are never captured coming this way.

CONCERNING GEN. MEIGS.

We have it from unquestionable authority that the reported removal of Gen. Meigs is a mistake, based on his departure for a tour of inspection. In the event of his removal Gen. Meigs would be a decided loss to the Department.

CHAPLAINCY OF ALTON.

Rev. M. McMalone, of Alton, Ill., has been commissioned as Chaplain to the Alton Military Prison.

PERSONAL.

Gen. A. J. Hamilton will address the people of Philadelphia previous to his departure for New Orleans, which will be in a few days. He is not to be the leader of the expedition about to set out for the re-occupation of Texas, but goes altogether in a civil capacity. He is of the opinion that the rebels will make no fight in Texas, and that the advent of the Union army will be hailed with shouts by the great mass of the people.

A LETTER FROM GEN. GRANT.

A letter from Gen. Grant has been received here, in which he endorses all the Administration measures, and expresses satisfaction with the results of the Emancipation Proclamation in the Southwest so far as attained. He says the black population has been swept away from the Mississippi River for a distance of ten miles on both sides of the river.

THE DRAFT IN CINCINNATI.

The suspension of the draft in Cincinnati is for the purpose of giving time to correct an error in the assessment of the quota. This error amounts to about 5,000, which, when adjusted, will leave the number subject to draft in the State about seven hundred.

OUR FOREIGN RELATIONS.

Persons likely to be well informed on the subject express the unhesitating opinion that no foreign intervention in our affairs will occur.

GENERAL GILMORE.

Although contradicted by papers here the report of General Gilmore's resignation is true. The contingency upon which it was based has not occurred, hence he will remain where he is. Admiral Farragut has gone there.

THE INVALID CORPS.

The invalid corps has expanded to an army of nearly 12,000 first class soldiers, divided into 144 companies of eighty men each.

RESERVATION.

A committee of gentlemen appointed to present a flag to the Iron brigade to-day, did not go out, not knowing where to find the brigade.

COMPLETION OF THE CAPITOL.

The capitol dome will be brought to completion before the session of Congress, by the electrotype of Milly statue of Liberty on the pedestal now ready to receive it.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—The Rockville, Md., bulletin of the 15th inst. says:

In consequence of the frequent shoeing of stock from that region, Europe will not have sufficient help to gather their fall crops.

Officers in the army of the Potomac complain that the fresh horses received by the cavalry in exchange for worn out animals, are worse than those returned to the Government. The officers say that the horses issued since the establishment of the new Cavalry Bureau are not so good as those furnished before its organization.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—The delegates appointed by the Convention recently held at Jefferson City, to proceed to Washington in order to make representations to the Federal authorities to produce a change in the military commanders of the Department of the Missouri, are daily expected. Therefore no action has yet been taken by the President in the premises.

If Gen. Schofield is removed, Missourians here think it not improbable that Gen. Butler will assume command.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—Ambulances were running until a late hour last night, conveying to hospitals in the vicinity of Washington about 1,200 sick and wounded from the army of the Potomac.

THE PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION.

A Circular from the Provost Marshal General.

AN ORDER FROM THE SECRETARY OF WAR.

[Special Dispatch to the Chicago Tribune.]

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17, 1863.

THE DRAFT AND THE PROCLAMATION.

The Provost Marshal General has issued the President's Proclamation in a circular, closing with the following instructions to subordinates:

The attention of every officer in the military service of the United States is called to the above proclamation of the President, issued on the 15th day of September, 1863, by which the privilege of the writ of habeas corpus is suspended. If, therefore, the writ of habeas corpus should, in violation of the aforesaid proclamation, be sued out and served upon any officer in the military service of the United States, commanding him to produce before any Court or Judge any person in his custody by authority of the President of the United States, belonging to any one of the classes specified in the President's proclamation, it shall be the duty of such officer to make known by his certificate, under oath, to whomsoever may issue or serve such writ of habeas corpus, that the person named in said writ is detained by him as a prisoner, under authority of the President of the United States. Such certificate having been made, if any person serving or attempting to serve such writ, either by command of any Court or Judge, or otherwise, with or without due process of law, shall attempt to arrest the officer making such return, and holding in custody such person, said officer is hereby commanded to refuse submission and obedience to such arrest, and if there should be any attempt to take such person from the custody of such officer, or arrest such officer, he shall resist such attempt, calling to his aid any force that may be necessary to maintain the authority of the United States, and render such resistance effectual.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—The Secretary of War has ordered that the act of Congress relating to the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus and the Proclamation of the President based upon the same, be published for the information of all concerned.

He instructs all officers in the military service of the United States, if served with a writ of habeas corpus, in violation of the President's Proclamation, to make known to whomsoever issues or serves such writ, that the prisoner is held by authority of the President of the United States. If an attempt is made to arrest the officer making such return and holding such person, or to take such person from his custody, the officer is commanded to refuse submission and obedience, and resist effectually, using any force necessary to maintain the authority of the United States.

FROM GEN. BLUNT'S ARMY.

LEAVENWORTH, Kansas, Sept. 14.—Intelligence to the 6th inst. from Gen. Blunt's headquarters at Fort Smith has been received. His recent illness has been serious, and at times alarming. He was at the last accounts recovering, and was expected to start for Fort Gibson, on his return to Fort Scott, in a few days. He has made his recent almost unprecedented march in pursuit of the rebel border, while so sick as to be unable to sit up in his ambulance much of the time. Few Generals in this war have left a sick bed to take the field, marched two hundred and fifty miles at the head of an army in nine days, fought two battles and cleared from rebels over one hundred thousand square miles of territory. It is a Napoleonic achievement worthy of record.

Some bands of guerillas are hovering about Fort Smith and Van Buren. The principal leaders are Fitzwilliams and Beall. United they have about five hundred men. They have dismantled Van Buren in such a manner that Gen. Blunt has ordered the military occupation of the place. It is held by Captain Coakley's company of the 3d Wisconsin cavalry, with two companies of the 1st Arkansas (loyal) infantry.

Refugees from the rebel conscription acts, and Union men who had been obliged to flee for their lives, are coming into Gen. Blunt's lines by hundreds. Their sufferings have been indescribable. Nakedness, starvation, whipping, branding, chains and dungeons, have been the portion of Union men. In the Indian nation, more than a hundred have been shot and hung at Fort Smith since the rebellion opened. The place was evacuated by Cabell two days before Gen. Blunt marched upon it. Fitzwilliams was to garrison the place with his guerrilla band. He had a list of seven citizens whose Union sentiments were well known, but whose character stood so high that even rebel malignity had faltered when they were the objects of attack. They escaped. Fitzwilliams had the gallows marked to be hung the day that we occupied the garrison. Gen. Blunt arrived in time to prevent the horrid catastrophe.

Steele and Cooper, with their forces, are fortifying at Lewisburg, Arkansas, on the main road north of Red River, and at Boggy Depot, on Red River.

The members of Gen. Blunt's staff at Fort Smith are Maj. Tholen, Capt. Loring and Lieut. Tappan.

Trains with supplies now run regularly from Fort Blunt to Fort Smith.

Gen. Blunt expects on the recovery of his health to return to Fort Smith, and make it the headquarters for operations during the winter months.

FROM CHARLESTON.

NEW YORK, Sept. 17.—A Morris Island letter to the Herald, dated Sept. 11th, says: "Ever since our occupation of Wagner and Gregg, the rebels have been exceedingly quiet and savage. They do not allow us a moment's peace. They are slight and day upon Wagner, but they left us alone all the finely constructed work, and so capacious and safe bomb-proofs, that no one is injured. They are often enough disturbed at night to enable us to sleep soundly. Since Tuesday last, or twelve deserters have come in from James Island, belonging to Georgia regiments. They report continued dissatisfaction among the men and a general desire to escape from a service which has become disagreeable to them. They state that the rebels are building several new batteries on Sullivan's Island, above Fort Moultrie and Battery Bee, to cover the close out to the city. Additional batteries are also being constructed in the most approved style, between Fort Johnson and the city, on James Island, on which they are mounting ten inch columbiads and seven inch Brooks' rifles. On the green at the city, the rebels have mounted a thirteen inch Blakely rifle, which they have just received from Mobile, where it was brought with another of the same calibre, in six Atlantic rebel blockade-runners, two weeks ago. The second of these is in Charleston, not mounted. It was at first proposed to mount it on Fort Johnson, but that idea was given up, and so far as the deserters know, no place had yet been determined where it could be put in position. Ninety of these immense projectiles, weighing over 900 pounds each, were lying by the side of the gun on Charleston green.

The health of the command is good. Our soldiers need fresh vegetables.

Gen. Gilmore has issued a general order giving thirty days furlough to privates who have distinguished themselves in the recent siege. They are not to exceed two per cent of the effective force on the island, and must be recommended by their Colonels.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 17.—It, as published this morning, there has been a disagreement between Gen. Gilmore and Admiral Dahlgren, which has resulted in the application by the former and the tender of his resignation by the latter, Admiral Farragut, there has certainly been a deficiency of duty on the part of Admiral Dahlgren, who has said nothing whatever to the proper Department on that subject, in the monthly and official reports from the port of Charleston. No action whatever has been taken to transfer the Admiral from his present command.

FROM ROSECRANS' ARMY.

Exciting Rebel Rumors at Memphis.

MEMPHIS, Sept. 15.—A large infantry force from Johnston's army is reported marching up the Tuscumbia valley to reinforce Bragg. Bodey's command had gone to Decatur for the same purpose.

Refugees brings reports circulating South, to the effect that after two days fighting, in which Bragg was defeated, and driven back, he received large reinforcements from Johnston, which turned the tide of battle, and that he was now driving Rosecrans. All of Johnston's cavalry, it was reported, had joined Bragg with the design of destroying Rosecrans' communications.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR.

Concerning Trade With and in States Declared in Insurrection, and Captures Abandoned and Captured Property.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Sept. 11, 1863.

To the Special Agents of the Treasury Department:

GENTLEMEN—The President of the United States, having, by proclamation of July 1, 1862, declared and proclaimed that the States of South Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana, Texas, Mississippi, Arkansas, Tennessee, North Carolina, and the state of Virginia, except the following counties, Hancock, Brooke, Ohio, Marshall, Wetzel, Marion, Monongalia, Preston, Taylor, Pleasants, Tyler, Ritchie, Doddridge, Harrison, Wood, Jackson, Wirt, Roane, Calhoun, Gilmer, Berbour, Tucker, Lewis, Braxton, Upshur, Randolph, Mason, Putnam, Kanawha, Clay, Nicholas, Cabell, Wayne, Boone, Logan, Wyoming, Webster, Fayette and Raleigh, are in insurrection and rebellion;

And having also by proclamation on the 31st of March, 1863, revoked certain exceptions made by his former proclamation, dated August 16, 1861, and declared that the inhabitants of the States of Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama, Louisiana, Texas, Arkansas, Mississippi, Florida and Virginia (except the forty-eight counties of Virginia designated as West Virginia, and except, also, the ports of New Orleans, Key West, Fort Royal, and Beaufort, in North Carolina), are in a state of insurrection against the United States, and that all commercial intercourse, not licensed and conducted as provided in said act, between the said States and the inhabitants thereof, with the exceptions aforesaid, and the citizens of other States, and other parts of the United States, is unlawful, and will remain unlawful until such insurrection shall cease or has been suppressed, and notice thereof has been duly given by proclamation; and all cotton, tobacco and other products, and all other goods and chattels, wares and merchandise coming from any of said States, with the exceptions aforesaid, to other parts of the United States, or proceeding to any of said States, with the exceptions aforesaid, without the license and permission of the President, through the Secretary of the Treasury, with regard to the vessel or vehicle conveying the same, be forfeited to the United States.

And that an act of Congress "further to provide for the collection of duties on imports and for other purposes, approved July 13, 1861," having authorized such proclamation, and the license and regulations referred to.

And the act of Congress supplementary to said act of July 13, 1861, approved May 20, 1863, having conferred on his Secretary and Secretary, and prescribed further conditions of trade;

And an act of Congress approved March 12, 1863, entitled "an act to provide for the collection of abandoned property and for the prevention of frauds in insurrectionary districts within the United States," having declared

"That it shall be lawful for the Secretary of the Treasury, from and after the passage of said act, as he shall from time to time see fit to appoint a special agent or agents to receive, collect all abandoned or captured property in any State or Territory, or any portion of any State or Territory of the United States, which may be in insurrection against the lawful government of the United States by the proclamation of the President of July 1, 1862; Provided, That such property shall not include any kind or description which has been used, or which was intended to be used, for waging or carrying on war against the United States, such as arms, ordnance, ships, steamboats, or other water craft, and the furniture, forage, military supplies, or munitions of war."

And further "That any part of the goods or property received or collected by such agent or agents may be appropriated to public use on the appraisement and certificate thereof, or forwarded to any place of sale within the loyal States, as the public interests may require, and that all sales of such property shall be at public auction to the highest bidder, and the proceeds thereof shall be paid into the Treasury of the United States."

And further, "That he shall cause a book or books of account to be kept, showing from whom such property was received, the cost of transportation, and the proceeds of the sale thereof."

And further, "That any person claiming to have been the owner of any such abandoned or captured property at any time within two years after the suppression of the rebellion, prefer his claim to the proceeds thereof in the Court of Claims, and prove, to the satisfaction of said court, of his ownership of said property, of his right to the proceeds thereof, and that he has never given any aid or comfort to the present rebellion, to receive the residue of such proceeds after deducting the expenses of transportation and sale of such property, and any other lawful expense attending the disposition thereof."

And further, "That it shall be the duty of any officer or agent of the regular or volunteer forces of the United States, or any officer, sailor or marine in the naval service of the United States, upon the inland waters of the United States, who may take or receive any such abandoned property, or cotton, sugar, rice or tobacco from any person in such insurrectionary districts, or have it under his control, to turn the same over to an agent appointed as aforesaid, who shall give a receipt therefor; and in case any officer fails to do so, he shall be tried by a court martial and punished as said court shall order, with the approval of the President of the United States."

And the Secretary of War and the Secretary of the Navy having respectively made and published orders for the enforcing of said acts—

The following regulations are prescribed for the government of the several superintending, assistant and local special agents and agency aids appointed to carry said acts and the regulations made under them into effect, and for the purpose of conducting the commercial intercourse licensed and permitted by the President, and promoting the convenience of multitudes of war supplies to insurgents, or to localities declared to be in insurrection against the United States, or in such districts thereof, when the exceptions aforesaid, and the citizens of other States, and other parts of the United States, is unlawful, and will remain unlawful until such insurrection shall cease or has been suppressed, and notice thereof has been duly given by proclamation; and all cotton, tobacco and other products, and all other goods and chattels, wares and merchandise coming from any of said States, with the exceptions aforesaid, to other parts of the United States, or proceeding to any of said States, with the exceptions aforesaid, without the license and permission of the President, through the Secretary of the Treasury, with regard to the vessel or vehicle conveying the same, be forfeited to the United States.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1863.

THE CHIEF OF ORDNANCE.

The Bureau of Ordnance is not only the most important branch of the military service, but it may safely be said to constitute the most important Department of every government in time of war, as gunpowder is the most essential element of every engagement on land or sea. Since civilized nations have adopted practically the same system of tactics, the sole advantage which one has been enabled to acquire over another has been in the superiority of offensive and defensive weapons. Superiority of artillery gave victory to the French arms in Italy and Mexico, and the same superiority bids fair either to bring Charleston a submissive colony under the Stars and Stripes, or to lay it in ashes at a distance of five miles from the muzzles of our cannon. The three hundred pounder Parrott, and the fifteen-inch gun of Rodman, sometimes each a triumph of the country in the art of gunnery. The tremendous velocity and range of the former, and the vast weight of metal and crushing force of the latter are unknown to Europe, or if known at all have been hitherto deemed impracticable for the general purposes of war. Whatever Europe can furnish in the way of improved ordnance and projectiles the rebels already have. Our superiority, therefore, depends upon the inventive genius of our own people, and the intelligence of our rulers in discriminating between valuable and worthless discoveries, and promptly adopting the former for the service.

Brig. Gen. James W. Ripley, late Chief of Ordnance, has been retired from active service, and a younger officer placed in charge of the Bureau. We are not informed of the precise reasons which have led to this step, but we presume they are to be found principally in the advanced age and consequent feebleness of Gen. Ripley, whose name has been borne upon the Army Register forty-nine consecutive years. That he has been an incorruptible public servant during the long term of his labors in the Ordnance Department will not be denied. We could have wished that he had shown more enterprise on some occasions—for instance, when the Merrimac came out of Norfolk it would have been well if he had had the fifteen-inch gun at Fortress Monroe, mounted instead of lying powerless on the beach; or in default of that, it would have been well if he had had a few projectiles ready for the twelve-inch gun which was mounted—but we have never heard his integrity impeached in the smallest transaction. On the contrary, we have always understood that his firmness led to the abrogation of Mr. Cameron's extensive contracts for foreign arms, which, as was shown by the Holt & Owen Commission, would have been worthless to our Government at any price.

But honesty is not more essential than energy and forethought in the administration of the ordnance office, and we doubt not at these qualifications have been secured in Gen. Ripley's successor. We believe that most of the improvements in ordnance that have been adopted since the beginning of the war, have, in the first instance, encountered the opposition of Gen. Ripley. Certainly, some of the most effective of our new projectiles have been put into the service on the peremptory mandate of the President or Secretary of War, after being rejected or whistled down the wind by the Chief of Ordnance. The same remark may be made concerning our great stores of saltpetre, fixed ammunition, field artillery and small arms. These supplies, sufficient, we believe, to carry us through a two years' war with the strongest power in Christendom, in addition to our needs for combating the slaveholders' rebellion, have been accumulated rather in opposition to the economical views of the officer specially charged with the duty of providing them. It is evident also, that the late Chief of Ordnance was not friendly to the three Western arsenals, provided for by the act of Congress approved July 11, 1862. We are not aware that the $100,000, appropriated for each arsenal, has ever been drawn from the Treasury, or that any step has been taken toward carrying out the provisions of the law, except to appoint a few officers to take care of property which does not exist. In short, Gen. Ripley is no exception from the common lot of humanity. Age and vigor are rarely found in the same body, or in the same intellect. The ideas and practices which were in vogue when he was in his prime, and which have become so deeply rooted in his mental organization, are not suited to the present day. A contemporary of Scott and Wool, although his faculties have held out longer than theirs, and are better preserved at the present moment, it is fitting that he should be placed with them on the retired list of honorable soldiers, for whom the country makes ample provision during their declining years.

In the hands of a younger man we shall look for increased efficiency in the Ordnance Department, that efficiency which comes from a brain in sympathy with the progress of the age. Much has been done in the way of improving our artillery, but more might have been done, and more remains to be done. It is the duty of the Government to prepare for every possible emergency of war, domestic and foreign. It is difficult, as yet, to foresee what complications may result from French conquests in Mexico or French alliances with Jeff. Davis, but it is not difficult to see that we must, sooner or later, measure swords with Louis Bonaparte, unless his prudence shall teach him to desist from interfering with the affairs of the American continent. Every advance which we make in the art of destroying lives and sinking navies, puts further off the day that we shall be compelled to resort to the terrible trial of our skill in conflict with European nations. The Greek fire bomb, if it shall prove as destructive as is supposed, will be a more potent argument for peace than the Sermon on the Mount. Alas, that it should be so! An accumulation of ordnance stores for a protracted war with a first class power, would tend to render such a war unnecessary. At all events, we must be prepared, and we trust that there will be no delay, and no sparing of expense, to put us in possession of the most formidable guns, the most infernal projectiles, and the greatest number of both, together with such stores of ammunition as shall leave no fear of exhaustion, even though all foreign sources of supply be closed to us.

RAILWAYS WESTWARD.

We learn from gentlemen prominent in the enterprise, that Hon. Wm. B. Ogden, President of the Pacific Railway, has already received subscriptions to the amount of a million and a half in Boston and New York, but that the other half million necessary to secure the charter will soon be made up. The subscriptions embrace the names of the most prominent capitalists in and near the seaboard cities. There now can be no doubt whatever of the success of this great national enterprise.

In connection with this subject, it gives us pleasure to state that the Cedar Rapids and Missouri River Railway Company are pushing their road westward with all possible dispatch. A section of the line thirty miles west of Marshalltown is all bridged and graded, and the track layers are rapidly putting down the iron. It will be finished to Nevada, the shire-town of Story county, on or before the first of December. Hon. John I. Blair, the President of the Blairstown Bank, New Jersey, passed through the city on Wednesday, on his way west, to be twenty-two miles more of the road, reaching to Boonsboro on the Des Moines. This is to be finished by the first of July. When completed to that point only one hundred and twenty miles more remain to be finished to reach the Missouri. Surely so great is the importance of the road "job" to the Union Company and to our own city, that funds ought at once to be provided to build it as fast as men and money can do it.

On the third of last June a large party of gentlemen, consisting of the Hon. John I. Blair, Hon. Oakes Ames, Judge Whiting and others, made an excursion west on and near the forty-second parallel from Marshalltown, the present terminus of the road, to the mouth of the Loup Fork on the Platte. They found the country highly fertile and in all respects most favorable for a railway route. The men who have taken hold of this work are largely interested in the Pacific Road, and they undoubtedness have it completed by the time the projectors of this gigantic railway artery of the continent is ready for commence its construction. The advantages this would confer upon our city, upon the Galena and the Iowa roads, need but to be named to be appreciated. Will not those whose interests are largely to be promoted, at once act vigorously in order to place beyond a peradventure so rich a prize.

☞ It is a striking coincidence, that wherever a Western crowd of Copperheads get together, after they are harangued and have filled their skins with corn-juice, they shout and cheer for Vallandigham, Gen. McClellan and Jeff. Davis. In the Eastern States, the Copperhead mobs cheer for Jeff. Davis, McClellan and Fernando Wood, with some shouts for Seymour, the rioter's friend.

An Uncle of Quantrell's Committed to Prison.

On Monday of last week George Stone was arrested at Georgetown, D. C., on charge of having obtained his exemption papers by stating a falsehood in his affidavit. When taken before the Provost Marshal he stated that his papers were prepared by a substitute broker named A. R. Quantrel, an uncle of the infamous murderer of the inhabitants of Lawrence, Kansas. In the afternoon Quantrel was arrested. It appears that Stone had borrowed money to purchase a substitute before he met Quantrel, who advised him to get exempted on the plea that he was the only son and support of aged and infirm parents. Stone declined to do this: but finally agreed to pay Q. $100 if he would get witnesses and procure his papers. Accordingly an affidavit was drawn and Stone made his cross mark without knowing its precise contents.

Quantrel said that he was a printer, and had published several papers in Maryland. His operations in substitutes and in obtaining exemption papers have been quite extensive. He was committed to Sell for trial by jury.

The Removal of Gen. Schofield.

The removal of Schofield is now being commended not only by those who opposed his appointment to the command of this Department, but by his firmest friends and admirers. Governor Carney, who assisted largely to procure his appointment, says the people have become dissatisfied with the commanding General, and another should be placed in his stead. The Missouri *Democrat* is informed by a gentleman with whom Governor Carney had a conversation that General Schofield had promised him (Carney) to remove General Ewing, and that he intended to do it, but did not know who he could place in command of the district, without it would be General McNeil. If Schofield removes Ewing, and the President removes Schofield, there will be great rejoicing in slavery ridden Missouri.

Celebration at Louisville.

The Union men of Louisville have determined to celebrate the triumphs of Grant, Rosecrans and Burnside, by which Kentucky and Tennessee have been freed from rebel supremacy, by a general military parade, civic procession and a display of fireworks. The citizens of New Albany and Jeffersonville have also been invited. It is determined to make this celebration one which will long be remembered in the annals of Louisville.

The Vermont Election.

Returns from one hundred and eighty-four towns look up for Governor as follows:

Smith, Union	39,268
Redfield, Democrat	19,918
Republican majority	14,350

As far as heard from, the Republicans have elected one hundred and ninety-two members to the House of Representatives and the Democrats twelve.

☞ The Ohio Copperhead State Central Committee sent Mr. Griffiths—an influential member of the Legislature—as one of their Commissioners to distribute election tickets and Vallandigham tickets among the soldiers in Gen. Rosecrans' army. In the course of conversation with Gen. Garfield, Chief of Staff, he candidly admitted that in proportion as our armies succeed, the prospects of the Democratic party in Ohio are injured. While he protested that his party has no interest in a fight between our soldiers and the enemy, he confessed that a victory to our army would damage the prospects of the Democratic party at the election.

In accordance with this declaration the Copperhead organs are almost silent over our victorious progress in the war. Our victories are scarcely mentioned and the occupation of the most important point in the Confederacy by a bloodless victory, sparing our own troops, and inflicting upon the enemy the moral effect of a great defeat, is passed over as a thing of no moment. We have yet to hear from any one of the Copperhead speakers or leaders any lamenting over the State, a word of cheer or of rejoicing of any of the victories won by our soldiers.

☞ Those who contend that the rebellion still has considerable vitality, are at a loss, as well they may be, to account for the unrestricted march of General Burnside into East Tennessee, and his summary and almost peaceable occupation of the country, and also, for the retreat of the combined forces of Buckner, Bragg and Johnston, from their highly advantageous position at Chattanooga, before Gen. Rosecrans. One of two theories must be adopted. Either the abandonment of East Tennessee by the rebels, must be taken as an evidence of their exhaustion and incapacity to continue the fight—more conclusive than any previous event of the war—or it is a movement making a great and extraordinary operation. Some countenance is given the latter theory, by the rather mysterious retreat of Gen. Lee, and the proposition in this case is, that Lee has fallen back to occupy a merely defensive attitude at Richmond, in order to send some important bodies of his troops to cope with Burnside, or to concentrate with Johnston, or to strike a blow at Rosecrans.

☞ It is reported that the result of the election in Maine, and the occupation of Knoxville and Chattanooga by the Federal armies, has had the effect to turn the serious attention of the Ohio Copperheads to the expediency of changing their base of operations. Meany, Odie, and the other fanatics, who insist on saving the Union by refusing further support to the Government, opposing the prosecution of the war, and withdrawing our armies from Southern soil, as the essential prerequisite of peace and parleying fellowship with their old enemies in Dixie, are to be thrown overboard, the Columbus pitchers repit upon, and a war cried grafted upon the stale and unprofitable cut of peace principles which form the present capital of the party in Ohio.

"ABOLITIONISM" IN ALABAMA.—The Mobile *Register* of a recent date declared that "the negro is no longer an object of small talk in the South. The people of the South have a place for them, and that is in the army. *There should be no distinction of color*, when a man is willing to fight for his home and rights."

☞ From a Montgomery (Ala.) paper we learn that Hon. Johnson, Jr., of Tuscaloosa, has been elected Senator in the Confederate Congress, to supply the seat made vacant by the death of Wm. L. Yancey. The resolution adopted by the Legislature, gave Johnson receiving ninety-seven votes, and Winston twelve.

A STRAW.—A vote was recently taken by Governor in Bodegaed's Ohio battery, which is now with Genl. Rosecrans' army, resulting as follows:

Strong, Union	145
Vallandigham, Copperhead	1

POPULATION OF MILWAUKEE.—A thorough canvass of Milwaukee has just been completed, showing that its population is 50,369. This is an increase of 8,565 since 1860.

☞ It is a noticeable fact, says the Toledo Blade, that no army officer from Ohio has been promoted for gallantry and bravery, but did not leave the service in disgrace.

☞ Hon. John Cessna the newly elected United States Senator from California is now stopping at the residence of his father-in-law at Richmond, McLean county, Ill.

☞ The interest tax in Massachusetts will result in the collection of $9,300,000.

The Slaves of Maryland.

Progress of Anti-Slavery Sentiment.

[From our Regular Correspondent.]

WASHINGTON, Sept. 14, 1863.

It is, perhaps, not generally known at a distance that Prince's George's county, in Maryland, of which the ground occupied by this city was originally a part, is, or was, up to the breaking out of the rebellion, one of the largest slaveholding counties in the country. The soil of the city and its immediate vicinity is poor, but ten miles to the east there lies a highly fertile district, bordering the Patuxent, which is some ten miles in width and extending almost the entire length of the county, north and south. There is, perhaps, no finer tobacco region in the country than this, and it may be questioned if any equal area in the Union produces so much of that article. The effect has been to make it a land of slaves and masters, and to exclude everything like progress. Absolutely held the country immediately around Washington, and reaching out in the direction of the railroad to Baltimore, for a fifteen-mile circumference. The soil is thin, and the population for the most part white, composed of small farmers, who are engaged in raising vegetables for the markets of this city and Baltimore. Nevertheless, the county in 1860 contained 12,577 slaves, and but 9,250 white. In the tobacco region, the proportion of slaves to white persons was probably not less than four to one. The free colored population at the same date was 1,166, making an aggregate of 22,577 inhabitants in a county about forty miles in length by twenty-three to twenty-five in width, and lying adjacent to the Capital of the Nation! In 1850 the population was 20,757; so that the increase was less than 3,000 in thirty years.

The other southern counties on the eastern shore of the Chesapeake Bay have made even less progress than Prince George's county, population being less in 1860 than it was in 1790. But, with rebellion, in which the people of these counties have deeply sympathized, has done much towards breaking up the system of slavery. Many plantations have been almost entirely deserted, while every one has lost more or less slaves. In many instances these slaves, who have been the most persistent thieves in this city, have been protected by the military authorities, on the ground that the masters are disloyal. Many have joined regiments as servants to officers, while others have joined the black regiments. The women find employment about the city, or in the contraband farm on the opposite side of the river. But the slave-catchers have by no means given up their diabolical trade, and the shrieks of their human game often make "night hideous," here in the streets of the National Capital. I have known of at least one case in which a slave woman was spirited off on a quiet Sabbath morning, without consulting either the civil or military authorities; and I have reason to believe that such outrages are frequent. The poor ignorant slaves, as was the case of the woman referred to, are made to keep silence, either by a fraudulent exhibition of papers, or by threats of vengeance, accompanied by the assurance that the law is on the side of the master.

It has been decided by the Supreme Court that a slaveholder may capture his fugitive slave wherever he can find him, without a court warrant; and it is on the authority of this damnable adjudication that the police walk at the outrages to which I have referred. But there is an act of Congress—I believe it is a clause of the Confiscation Act—which declares that no slave shall be delivered up to a disloyal claimant. This act cannot be enforced if the decision of the Court is still to hold good, because there can be no evidence taken as to the loyalty of the claimant unless an issue is made before a judicial tribunal.

But notwithstanding occasional reclamations, the slave institution of Maryland is rapidly breaking up in consequence of the peculiar prerequisites of that species of property. Such is the polarity, and the demand for black regiments, that there can be no more refuge from the slave catcher with his bloodhounds than a recruiting station. Was assumed by officers connected with the first regiment of blacks raised here that a direct majority of the men were from Maryland and Virginia, and that they had taken that method of emancipating themselves. Of course, the authorities were not slow in arriving at the conclusion that if the masters choose to give their sons or themselves to the service of the whole, it was but fair that the slaves should serve the Union. The great body of the slaveholders of Maryland are secessionists, and scarcely a planter has failed to fit out a son, a brother, a cousin, a poor white, or himself, for the service of Jeff. Davis. The country has, therefore, no alternative but to call on the slaves to perform the duties which belonged to their fugitive masters.

But independently of this consideration, there can be no doubt that the Government has the right, in the last resort, to call upon every inhabitant, bond or free, to defend the country; and, if need be, to make even the slaves of loyal men free, if that be necessary to insure their safety. On this opposite theory, that the Government cannot require military service from the slaves of loyal men, it would follow that the Government cannot take of "property" is more sacred than that in wagons, horses and cattle, which may be seized at pleasure, in order to facilitate the movements, or to feed the army, and more important to be preserved than the independence and liberties of the people. The truth is that the people of this country have been so thoroughly imbued with reverence for this iniquitous institution, that even Northern men and Republicans have not yet shaken off its fetters. Like all other superstitions, this reverence for slavery is blind and unreasoning, just in proportion to its unreasonableness. If a cherished popular error is utterly preposterous—utterly indefensible, or the acme of its folly or its wickedness—it is universally felt that there is no sacrilege equal to that of venturing to reason about it. It is on this principle that the American people have slowly acquiesced in the impudent claims of slavery—as if they had been doomed, for a season, to believe a lie, as a punishment of their sins.

But the light is now rapidly breaking in, and the time is not far distant when slavery will be as much detested in every part of Maryland as it is in Massachusetts. The evidences of this progress of opinion thickens around us every day. At the beginning of the war all our Generals of note except Frémont were strongly Conservative or pro slavery. But gradually the scales have fallen from their eyes, until I doubt whether there is a live man among them at the present time who would acknowledge himself a friend of the accursed institution. Singularly enough, the adoption of the very policy which, it was said, would drive every valuable officer from the service, viz: the employment of negroes as soldiers, has wrought this wonderful change. So far from leaving the service, the Conservative officers, whose hearts were really on the side of the Union, have all, or nearly all, become Abolitionists, and regard negro soldiers as almost indispensable in the suppression of the rebellion. Gen. Grant, whose name is a host of itself, thinks that Vicksburg could not have been taken when it was, if, even, but by half a dozen negroes. Gen. Thomas, the able and experienced Adjutant General, who at the commencement of the war held Black Republicanism in such horror as to throw suspicion upon his loyalty, has become a champion of the black troops, and has done more to raise black regiments than any one man in the country, or perhaps in the world, if we except Toussaint, the black hero of St. Domingo. Other Generals and distinguished officers have given in their adhesion to the new black institution; while hundreds and thousands of Democratic and Whig antecedents are falling into the idea in rapid succession.

In this connection I will remark, that among conversions from slavery to liberty, that of Andrew Johnson of Tennessee is one of the most significant that has yet come to light, and I find it difficult to determine whether his late declamation at Nashville, or the letter of Gen. Grant to the President has given me the greatest satisfaction. Top to the extent of the sphere of influence of the other in the ranks of the-tree Democracy, can scarcely be overrated. Gov. Johnson is a sagacious and a cautious man, and the public may be assured that his declaration of war against slavery means something more than the announcement of an individual change of opinion. I have reason to believe that his conversion in his case has not been sudden, or at any rate not necessarily so, but with the natural caution of an ambitious but earnest man, he has bided his time, and endeavored silently to educate the loyal people of his State up to the point where it would be practicable to take ground against slavery. Andrew Johnson is a man of the people, and has for fifteen years exercised a controlling influence among them. He has been, as Gibbon would say, "scourged and hated" by the slaveholding aristocracy, and I will add, feared, on account of his unflinching devotion to the rights of the people. He was the first man in the South to propose a homestead bill, and had the fearless independence to adhere to it when it became recognized, both North and South, as a sure guaranty of freedom to the territories.

SPECTATOR.

Excitement at Jacksonville—Rescue of R. G. O'Neal from Rebel Guards—Leave with several Place in their Rear.

[From the Illinois State Journal, 16th.]

From persons who came up from Jacksonville yesterday, we learn that there was some excitement that growing out of the sudden and unexpected appearance of a considerable force of R. G. O'Neal's Pole Cats and Alemite counties, in that place on Monday last. Details, as near as we can learn them, are about these:

Some weeks since, a man named John W. Stokes, who formerly lived at Marshall, was standing on the platform of the Great Western Railroad in the town of Jacksonville, when he was arrested by a party of men who came in. As the train passed, some one put the head out of the car window and, striking Stokes, attempted to drag him down and, all was believed, to throw him upon the track under the train. The effort failed, however, Stokes having his coat partially torn off and being considerably bruised.

The alleged perpetrator of this outrage was one John Hunsaker, of Morgan county, and a doorkeeper of the late Copperhead Legislature. Hunsaker is said to have been in company at the time with James M. Tolle, a Democrat, live in the last Legislature, from Cass county, fresh from being on their return from a meeting of R. G. O'N. held by Clemens, which was attended by some of the Falstaffs from this city. Tolle is reported to be at the head of R. G. O'N.'s in that region, and Hunsaker next in command. Hunsaker is also said to have left the first to organize the order in Morgan county. Stokes, being a Republican, and consequently obnoxious to them, had exposed them. On this account he became the object of their vindictive ire. On Monday last, Stokes, who was at Hunsaker's action in seizing him at the Jacksonville depot, was believed to be with a murderous purpose.

A few days ago Hunsaker was arrested for the assault on Stokes and brought to Jacksonville on a charge of "assault with intent to kill." The trial was to take place on Monday, though not one in ten of the citizens knew of it. About eight or nine o'clock Monday morning, a large number of strangers suddenly made their appearance, coming from the south, east, west, north and back and otherwise, a large portion of them having come to the vicinity in wagons, which were left outside of the town. The sudden and close examination demonstrated that they, if not all, were armed with revolvers, while some carried bowie knives and other weapons in their belts. The crowd is reported to have been led by the before mentioned Tolle, and he knew whatever that their number amounted to three hundred with a reserve of one thousand some distance from town.

The citizens of Jacksonville, though not taken by surprise, took the matter coolly, but quietly prepared for the worst. There was some loud talking done by the K. G. O.'s, consisting of threats to take Stokes, etc., but being firmly met, they gradually cooled down. The trial of Hunsaker came on at the appointed hour, being held at the Court House before Squire Jeremiah Pierson, who displayed a firmness that cut no light partial. The prosecution was conducted by J. J. Koerner, Esq., and the defense by Orme Rogers, James Epler, — McNeeley, and Thos. H. Springer. Hunsaker was held in $1,000 for his appearance at the next term of the Circuit Court in $500. The decision, accompanied by a speech from the Squire, which he had evidently prepared to overawe the ministers of the law, had a cooling effect upon the party; some of them quietly slipped off to the town head of the second, and they started homward "wiser, and it is hoped, better men."

The result of this hostile incursion is the mind of a peaceful city, has not been clearly explained, but it is believed to have been with the intention of rescuing the prisoner. In an apologetic speech which he stated that it was their purpose to prevent Hunsaker being carried away to Cincinnati to be tried by military court martial. But this was, no doubt, a mere pretense, as the case was in the hands of the civil authorities. This representation, if it was made, was so outrageous, perhaps enabled them to work upon the more ignorant, and secure a crowd. The sneaking way in which the crowd was collected, proved the thoroughness of their organization.

THE NATIONAL HORSE SHOW.

A Handsome Display of Animals.

FIRST AND SECOND DAYS.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

PEORIA, Sept. 16, 1863.

The ninth annual exhibition of the great National Horse Show was inaugurated on the grounds of the Peoria County Agricultural Society, near this city, on yesterday, and it will continue until Friday night. Your correspondent was unable to reach here until noon to-day, and was not able to witness the opening day's ceremonies. He will, however, give a brief synopsis of what transpired. The day was mostly devoted to the entrance of competitors for premiums, and the attendance of visitors was small. The display of blood stock is good, and is represented as being in advance of that last year in Chicago.

In the afternoon, the various classes for that day were called, and the following premiums awarded:

CLASS H—*Brood Mares, with sample of Stock.*

1—W. G. Moore, Richwoods, Peoria county.
2—Isaac Snyder, Woodford county.
3—John Kellogg, Richwoods, Peoria county.

1st premium—John Boggs, Richwoods, $25.00.
2d premium—W. G. Moore, Richwoods, $15.00.

CLASS I—*Stallions Colts.*

The entries were the same as in class H. No. 3 took the 1st premium of $20.00, and No. 2 took the 2d of $10.00.

CLASS J—*Geldings or Fillies two years old.*

In this class there was but one entry, and M. West, of Tazewell county, took the premium of $15.00.

CLASS K—*Geldings or Fillies three years old.*

Neither entry in this class was deemed worthy of a premium.

CLASS P—*For Single Carriage.*

1—Pete, owned by H. H. Cole, Peoria, chestnut gelding, Morgan, 4 years old.
2—Manoel Chandler, owned by Dr. Motter, Henry, Ill., Black Hawk stock, 4 years old.
3—Fanny Elsler, owned by J. S. Kellogg, Peoria, Messenger stock, bright bay color, 5 years old.
4—Kentucky Maid, 7 years old, owned by W. King, of Pekin, Ill.
5—Jack Hinton, a white gelding, 5 years old, owned by Wm. M. Clarkson, of Henry, Ill.
6—Ben Bolivar, owned by S. S. Emery, Trivoli, Ill., Morgan blood, 5 years old.
7—Buckeye Belle, owned by R. W. Towner, Peoria, Ill., Messenger stock, 5 years old.
8—Not reported.
9—Lookhard, bay gelding, Baltimore brood, 5 years old, owned by Philip Snyder, Kickapoo, Peoria county.
10—Miller, owned by R. C. Sond, of Bloomington, Illinois, a Kentucky thoroughbred, 7 years old.

The display under this head was really magnificent. The first premium of $40.00 each was awarded to Manoel Indian, the second to the second premium, $20.00, to Peoria Boy.

CLASS M—*Pacer Trotter under the Saddle.*

1—H. H. Yates, Chicago, gray mare Pet, 10 years old, scrub stock.
2—Kentucky Maid, owned by W. King, of Pekin, Ill.
3—Lucy, 4 years old, graph stock, owned by J. Kellogg, Peoria.
4—Did not make her appearance until the first heat had been run, and was ruled out.
5—Fanny Sweetbrier, owned by Jno. A. Chambers, Lacon, 8 years old.

The heats were three heats, best two in three. The following is the score:

Fanny Sweetbrier, entered by J. A. Chambers	2	1	1
Pet, entered by H. H. Yates	1	3	2
Kentucky Maid, entered by W. King	3	2	3
Lucy, entered by J. Demberger	4	4	4

Time—2:29; 2:25; 2:26.

SECOND DAY.

The attendance to-day at the Horse Show is much larger than yesterday, and the interest seems on the increase. After preliminary exercises, the programme for the day was announced, and opened with

CLASS E—*Thoroughbred Stallions—Three years old and upward.*

1—Bay horse Bucyrus II, owned by D. T. Sill, Morton, Tazewell county.
2—Sorrel stallion Captain Buford, H. H. Gates, Chicago.
3—Copper Heels, by H. G. Miller, of Marshall, Domestic stock.

1st premium—to Capt. Buford, $20.00.
2d premium—to Copper Heels, $15.00, in plate.

CLASS F—*Stallions Three years, for all purposes.*

1—Norman, owned by Jay James Mooney, of Peoria, thoroughbred Norman.
2—Black Hawk, Joseph Bridwinter, of Peoria, Black Morgan.
3—Morgan, McClellan, Black Hawk-Messenger, Hiram Kelley, Peoria.
4—Jim Sunshier, by Jim Sunshier, owned by J. Gill, Peoria.
5—Black Warrior, Morgan, by S. B. Hardman, Gridley, Tazewell county.
6—Louis, Norman stock, owned by Peter Yandes, Tazewell county.
7—Invincible, Morgan Messenger, $10.00.
2d premium—Black Warrior, $5.00.

CLASS G—*Three years old Stallions, for all purposes.*

1—Charley, Black Hawk-Morgan, Wm. Thompson, Marshall county.
2—Jim Sunshier, Morgan Messenger, Dr. Hooper, Lawn Ridge.
3—Gen. Hooker, Messenger-Flying Cloud, T. C. Reeves, Peoria.
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1st premium—Gen. Hooker, $15.00.
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CLASS P—*Gentlemen's Saddle Horses.*

1—Steamboat, William Clarkson, Henry.
2—Alice Gray, J. T. Bacon, Hollowell.
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1st premium—Steamboat, $20.00.
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CLASS Q—*Best matched pair of Carriage Horses.*

1—Kitty and Jim, Morgan, 5 and 4 years old, by D. Brown, Farmington.
2—Bob and Ned, gray geldings, by J. M. Smith, Elmwood, 7 years old.
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4—Not reported.
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1st premium—Tom and Jerry $40.
2d premium—Prince and Pilot, $20.

AFTERNOON.

CLASS T—*Trotting Tandem.*

1—Warp and Gipsey, A. D. Carver, Galesburg.
2—Pet and Kate, H. H. Yates, Chicago.
3—Mile hacks, best two in three—1st premium to Warp and Gipsey, $20.
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CLASS S—*Fastest Trotting Geldings or Fillies never trotted in a regular race course.*

10 entries.

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1st premium—Dipsey, $40.
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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1863.

THE GREAT PRIZE FIGHT.

Jem Mace and Joe Goss in the Ring.

Goss Knocked Senseless and Mace the Victor.

[From the London Telegraph, Sept. 8.]

The contest between Mace and Goss for the sum of £1,000, was arranged to come off yesterday at Wootton Hassett, a few miles beyond Swindon, on the Great Western Railway. The men, with their seconds, trainers, friends, and the usually large assembly of rogues, left the Great Western station at Paddington by the half-past five o'clock A. M., and reached Swindon at the intended rendezvous soon after 7 o'clock. The ring was formed about a mile from Wootton Hassett, and, as soon as the men took up their positions, and were sparring for the first time, the police arrived before a blow had been struck.

The referee ordered that the fight should then take place at Purdock. This of course involved a journey back to London, and thence to the Fenchurch street station. It was 1 p. m. before they had reached Paddington, and by that time we had lost in proceeding to the other station. Where an ordinary train was taken to Purdock.

Here the ring was again pitched at 5 o'clock, and the fight took place.

THE FIGHTING.

The fight was scarcely worthy of the name. It was dodging on one side and dignified nonchalance on the other, interspersed, perhaps, with a spice of contempt, on the other.

From the very first Goss recommenced his Wootton Bassett tactics. He would not stand up to Mace. He dodged and ducked and shirked and shuffled and writhed and twisted all the muscles in his back sooner than take a blow from Mace. He evidently feared that sledgehammer fist. He would run round the ring and try to make Mace lose patience, as he might have done. He would next pretend to make a feint and deliver a blow, and when Mace was ready would equip—from the other word for it—out of his adversary's reach, and the cheers of his friends and his blasts and groans of every body else. It might have been his game, as his Advocates reported, but we beg to say again that it certainly was not fighting.

Nearly half an hour was wasted by this manoeuvring of Goss in the first two rounds.

In the fourth he managed to deliver a cool hit in Mace's eye, which immediately closed, and contented the boy, with the Goss, sent him to the ground frequently, and he had to rise two or twice; but there was, at least on Goss' part, no fighting, of which an average schoolboy would not be thoroughly ashamed.

Mace at the twelfth round showed little signs of punishment, and Goss was not much worse, though he had a deep cut over his left eye and another on the right side of his mouth, as well as one or two bruises on the body. Mace remained perfectly cool and collected, while Goss was evidently wearing himself out by his stupid dodging.

Mace was generally first up to time, and after the twelfth round it was evidently an effort—although always a smiling one—for Goss to get up and meet him. But he would continue his shifting, and all the advice of his backers would not induce him to go to and meet Mace's fist. Yet, to hear his friends shout, one would have thought that there had never been seen such a game.

In the sixteenth round Mace, as was expected by everyone, was getting quite out of patience with the dodging of Goss, and he and as the latter worked around the ring, Mace contented himself with resting his hands on his hips, and delivering his blows fully with his eye. With still more apparent contempt, he in the next round foiled his antagonist, and, as he fell, he (Goss) cried out, "Gosh! Gosh! Gosh!" which any moment might have become hard realities. At the finish of this round both fell.

In the eighteenth and last round, Goss again trying his dodging, did not get away in time, and Mace delivered on his right upper jaw a blow which, in two senses, was the "thousand pounder." The crash could be heard five or six yard off. It would have felled a bullock.

Goss fell on his forehead insensible and apparently dead, and very nearly five minutes the utmost efforts of his backers could not restore him.

The sponge was thrown up in acknowledgment of Goss' defeat, and Mace's backers in their jubilation went so far as to kiss their champion, who proceeded as quickly as the unfortunate condition of the loser of the crowd would permit to don his clothes, looking very little worse after his hundred minutes' fighting than he did when he stripped in the morning.

[From the London Times, Sept. 8.]

It was five minutes to five in the afternoon before the men had again taken their places in the ring.

In the first, or rather the second round, Mace tried to force Goss into a corner. The latter succeeded, however, in dealing his antagonist a blow with his left on the eye, which brought the first blood. Exchanges ensued in favor of Mace, in which Goss retreated, and in so doing fell. So ended the first round, which lost eight minutes.

In the next both men came up sparkly. After a good deal of sparring, which lasted twenty-six minutes, Mace made a rush for close quarters, but his foot slipped and he fell between Goss' legs.

In the fourth round Mace dodt Gosss blow which knocked him down. The round lasted thirty-five minutes.

In the next struggle both men fell, and rolled side by side. Mace was up first, and the fighting which ensued was all in his favor until the round ended.

In round seven Goss went down again.

Both fell in the next round. Goss under, and in that which followed the latter was forced to the ropes, where, after some stiff wrestling, both went down again. Mace under.

In round nine Mace landed his antagonist a fair 7 blow on the left eye, and both went down.

In round eleven Mace brought down Goss.

In rounds twelve and thirteen, however, Goss threw his antagonist and fell on him, still keeping his hold while on the ground.

In rounds fourteen and fifteen, Goss fell in endeavoring to get away.

In round sixteen he was felled to the ground.

In round seventeen both men fell; but in eighteen a blow on the nose again prostrated Goss.

The last round was a tedious one. A left handed blow on the nose and a right handed one on the jaw prostrated Goss who fell with his head pillaged up under him in a state of insensibility.

Mace then advanced to the referee and called out, "Here I was, sir! Two years which he was assured that the stakes were his.

The company then returned to London, chiefly by the Dartford route.

THE REFULSE AT SUMTER.

How it was Accomplished.

[Correspondence Philadelphia North American.]

During the afternoon our shells set fire to some of the buildings in Moultrieville, and extended some of the work around the fort. It continued during the evening, lighting up the heavens with the lurid glare of conflagration. In the early part of the night the Admiral sent a boat to Gillmore, requesting the loan of some of his boats for an expedition which he had planned for early morning. The General replied that they were all in Vincent's Creek, impossible to get over in time, and now is constant use for picketing, which would be obliged to decline. The Admiral, it appears, did not tell General Gilmore the destination of the expedition or request his co-operation. The army had also a plan for an attack upon an assault on Sumter, and the placing of the old flag on the battlements. The General informed the Admiral that he should make the attempt to take possession of the ruins during the night, and immediately an answer was returned that the army proposed doing the same thing. The 24th Massachusetts and the 10th Connecticut volunteers, under command of Col. Osborne, of the former regiment, were selected to perform the honorable duty. Their instructions were, if they found the fort already there, to retire; if not, attack the fort with 400 picked men, and if successful, hoist a red light from the ramparts.

The soldiery set out about 10 o'clock, with plans well matured, a band of resolute, determined, enthusiastic men, and quietly they round-rowed, and nearly the appointed time. The night was propitious, and everything was moving smoothly on.—When within a quarter of a mile of their destination, the men were discovered already there, about to commence the assault. According to order, the army withdrew and allowed the navy the glory of raising the colors on a fort which they had done nothing to subdue. Our naval brethren, five hundred strong, in the wake of the debris, were greeted with a volley of musketry, perhaps sixty pieces. Flag Lieutenant Preston and seventy (!) men distinguished up the rules, and were taken prisoners. Hand grenades were thrown among the marines preparing to follow; they were also greeted by the enemy. Some 3 or 4 days from their earthen of the fort; opened their boat howitzer on the fort; let all the rebels in the bay know what they were about; received the fire of the Sumter and Fort Johnson, Battery Bee, Sullivan, Beauregard, Moultrie, and 4 rum which run ashore. Hand grenades were thrown among several lives lost, and then concluded. Red lights were hoisted from Sumter to enable the rebel gunners to see, and we, poor overconfident mortals of headquarters, thought the coveted ruins was ours. Yet even the works, though reduced at midnight, and high in the gabiets flowed the sparkling Colorado. This morning told the story; the rebel flag still flaunted from the gorge wall, and the navy were ingloriously sneaking. At daybreak the Admiral sent another flag of truce to beg the flag of truce to bury our dead. But I hear last evening, with a heavy heart, we close the last on this days' history.

Gen. Gillmore, as we have before remarked, was sent here to relieve Sumter. Nearly three weeks ago this was done. Meanwhile, the Admiral, with the Ironclad fleet, Stop of the plunging fire of Sumter, and the navy would go into Charleston harbor. The day of the attack on the navy has been fixed. The navy was to go to night, "to catch night owl and any ghost, would spy." and the army would contribute the help by which the rebels could be taken by surprise of the programme. Only already they would move at within a couple of thousand yards from the fort. Yesterday, make ready, the batteries are for such a purpose, and then hist off and allow the gunboats to restore things as they were. Yesterday we were to commence a new gun at daybreak. They appear to not without any such plan. Yesterday we were to commence a new gun at daybreak. Yesterday we were to commence a new gun at daybreak. Yesterday we were to commence a new gun at daybreak

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THE CITY.

MUNICIPAL INSPECTION.

IMPORTANT DECISION BY THE BOARD OF TRADE.

All Suits Against their Appointees to Be Defended by the Board.

At 15 o'clock yesterday the Board of Trade was convened to take into consideration the question of municipal inspection. It will be remembered that the present Common Council have passed certain ordinances taking the inspection of certain articles of merchandise out of the hands of the Board and assigning the duty to other, hostile politicians. As a necessary result, the appointees of the Board have been prejudiced in attempts and prosecution at the hands of the appointees of the Council, and this meeting was convened to see if their duty appointed inspectors will not be sustained.

The Board of Directors have taken legal counsel and been advised, that the power of the Board of Trade, under the tenth section of their charter, to appoint inspectors of flour, grain, provisions and other articles therein enumerated, with the declaration that the brand or mark of said Inspectors upon any package shall be evidence between buyer and seller, and shall be binding upon the members of the corporation, as well as upon others assenting to the authority of the Inspectors, is not impaired in the nature of a franchise or privilege from the State, which cannot be divested or in any manner impaired by the Legislature, or lost by any means, unless forfeited by abuse; and that all attempts, by municipal ordinances to impose fees upon members of the Board of Trade, or others who have purchased articles branded by the Inspectors of the Board of Trade, for selling without a city inspection, are unconstitutional, and cannot be enforced in the courts. For these reasons, and because the action of the Common Council is highly injurious to the interests of the Board of Trade, and apparently intended to be so, and is also equally injurious to the commercial prosperity of the city itself, the Board of Directors propose to resist legally all such unconstitutional action on the part of the Common Council by defending every suit prosecuted against the members of the Board of Trade for alleged violations of the ordinances relating to your inspection. The resolutions of the Directors is as follows:

Resolved, That the Board of Directors notify the all members that they have taken legal counsel in relation to the inspection of flour, grain, provisions, lumber, and other articles, and that a goodly draft is by members of the Board of Trade, and are satisfied that the inspections by the inspectors of the Board of Trade have perfect validity, so as to dispense with any other inspection in the case of the members of such Board, and all other persons assenting to the inspection of such appointees; and that the Board of Trade will defend any and all suits instituted by the city of Chicago, or under its direction or authority, against any member or members of the Board of Trade for alleged violations of municipal ordinances appertaining to the inspection of merchandise.

Mr. Beatty said that it was proper to say this assurance did not include the inspection of fish. The privileges of the Board on fish inspection is not yet satisfactorily defined, but he hoped to be able to make a report upon this subject also in the course of a few days. The statement and resolution were received with marked satisfaction, and Mr J. W. Sykes offered the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this Board of Trade endorse the action of the Directors in the matter of Inspectors, and will uphold them in all actions growing there from.

THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

Third Day's Proceedings.

MORNING SESSION.

The Board of Supervisors met again yesterday at ten, a. m., according to adjournment. The following gentlemen were present.

Supervisors—Allen, Alger, Bair, Brown, Cameron, Dunlap, Ellsworth, Fitzgerald, Fosdick, Gowling, Hedman, Jones, Johnson, Kingsley, Lyons, McIntosh, Pennoyer, Pierson, Pease, Rees, Rexford, Strong, Stallings, Stella, Taylor, Warner, West, Wix Whitney, S. S. Whitney.

The minutes of the proceeding meeting were read and approved.

PETITIONS.

A petition from the tax-payers of the town of Bloom, was presented, asking the Board to appropriate five hundred dollars to improve and render passable the State Line Road. Referred to the Committee on Roads and Bridges.

A certificate concerning Leander Mott, who had enlisted in Cook County, and failed to receive his money was referred to the War Committee.

Sup. Dalton read a communication from O. M. Hatch, Secretary of State, in relation to the Illinois Reports belonging to the County Court's office. This communication was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

JAIL AND JAIL ACCOUNTS.

The Committee on Jail, and Jail Accounts recommend the payment of the following bills:

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ARCHER ROAD.

The Committee on Roads and Bridges, to whom was referred the petition of sundry tax payers for the improvement of the Archer Road, reported that, in their judgment, the prayer of the petitioners should be granted.

EQUALIZATION OF TAXES.

The Committee on Equalization of Taxes reported that they had examined rolls and assessment lists, and recommended that there be added to the assessment rolls of the towns of South Chicago and Paloo four cows, and deducted 16 horses from the towns of Barrington, Bloom, Calumet, Greenfield, Hyde Park, Jefferson, Lake, Lake View, Lemont, Leyden, Lyons, Niles, Northfield, Palatine, Schamburg, Wheeling and Worth; 8 horses from the towns of Bremen, Elk Grove, New Trier and Orland; about per cent from the town of Thornton; thirty per cent from the town of Proviso.

The Committee had added to the assessment lists of the towns of the Calumet and Chicago Union Railroad Company, the sum of $18,000; to the lists of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad Company, the sum of $14,000; to the lists of the Illinois Central Railroad and Aurora Railroad Company, the sum of $12,000.

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A resolution was offered, relieving John Caldwell from his liability to the judgment, whenever he shall thereafter should be paid, which, after discussion, passed unanimously.

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The Committee on Public Buildings reported in favor of granting to Judge Bradwell the use of the Supervisors' Room to hold the sessions of the County Court, which not occupied by the quarterly meetings of the Board.

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The Committee on Education reported in favor of appropriating $100 to pay the expense of the Teachers' Institute soon to be held at Palatine and Rice Island, as demanded by the School Commissioner. Adopted, and the appropriation ordered.

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Sup. Boin thought the Board should either pay the bill or defend the suit.

An animated discussion here arose, in which Sups. Taylor, Redman, Boin, Johnson and Alger participated, all resulting in the transmit of a report from the Judiciary Committee.

SOLDIERS' ALLOTMENT.

Sup. Cameron from the Soldiers' Allotment Committee reported as follows:

Since the last meeting of your Board, and their report of June 9, the Committee have allowed and issued orders on the County Treasurer for a total of [illegible] to parties whose residence or address [illegible] for long, though endeavors have been made to find them. We have the honor to report, that we have [illegible] the Treasurer's report, and find [illegible] to be correct.

No. of Reg'r.	Amt. Reg'd.	Previously Paid	Paid Since	Bal. Due
[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Total	$38,208 34	$40,820 31	$[illegible]	$[illegible]

We find the Treasurer's books in good order, and the vouchers all in order, for the money on hand, and the money paid, to wit: The money in charge of residence of many of the families, has each succeeding installment is paid out, more particularly from the preceding one. Owing to the [illegible] and the large vouchers, some trouble has arisen between the clerk of the committee and the Treasurer, with such labor and care, from a consideration of the benefits it is contributing to the [illegible] of the latter, most sincerely [illegible].

THE COUNTY FOOD BILLS.

Sup. Gowling offered a resolution that the Committee on Poor House and Paupers, be instructed to examine, before the 1st of January, suitable water locks and boxes, for in one of five the waterings and the locks should not be at the mouth of the water closets. Adopted and the committee instructed.

MISCELLANEOUS CLAIMS.

The Committee on Miscellaneous Claims, reported in favor of allowing sundry claims, amounting in the aggregate to $[illegible].

The petition of certain citizens of the 12th Ward asking for a change of the place of holding the Court, from the present place to the Sugar House on Lumber street, referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Sup. Taylor offered a resolution, which was carried. And on the Board adjourned.

EVENING SESSION.

The Board was called to order at six o'clock.

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EPISCOPAL CONVENTION.

THE SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Address of Bishop Whitehouse.

Yesterday morning opened rather cloudily, and also o'clock, the hour of re-assembling, found the seats of the delegates but little more than half filled. As the religious services went on, however, the number agreeably dropped in, and at the commencement of business nearly all who had reported themselves were present.

The business of the day was prefaced by the usual religious exercises. The Rev. Malcolm Muir, of Rock Island conducted the prayer, antecedent to the creed. The first lesson, from the fourth chapter of Isiah, and the second lesson, from the twelfth chapter of the First Epistle to the Corinthians, were read by Stephen T. Allen of Trinity Church, Auburn. Prayers were then read by Rev. James W. Cox of Bloomington.

The ordinary business of the day was then entered upon. A call was made by the President of the Convention for local and parochial reports from those who had not already furnished them.

The President then remarked, that although in the order of business no provision was made for calling the roll, the bishop' plan would be to use it entire, in order to enable the new members who were not officially known to answer to their names; and it was accordingly done.

It was suggested by the Rev. E. R. Servant that the rule which provides for the appointment of a committee, but such a course being in the option of the President without precedent, the minutes were entered on the journal accordingly.

The President appointed the following standing committees:

On the Incorporation of Churches: Rev. J. N. Morson, Rev. E. R. Servant, Rev. A. C. Cole, Mr. Spencer, Rev. John Beacon, L. B. Otis, and Frederick Hall.

On Finance: Rev. Henry Strong, D.D., LL.D., Rev. D. W. Dresser, Rev. W. De Wolfe, Geo. F. Lee.

On Legislation: Rev. T. N. Benedict, D.D., Rev. W. H. Roberts, D.D., Hon. S. H. Trest, Hon. R. S. Servant.

On the extension of the church, Rev. J. N. Freeman, Rev. J. Weakly Osborne, T. C. Moore, William Wilkinson.

To unfinished business, Rev. John Wilkinson, T. E. Carter.

He also appointed the following tellers of clergy:

For deputies to General Convention for clerical votes—Rev. Dr. Hopkins, Henry W. Ely.

For lay votes—Rev. Samuel Goodales and Chas. Upickson.

For Trustees of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the dioceses of Illinois—For clerical votes, Rev. J. N. Morson, Chauncey Ely. For lay votes, Rev. H. N. Strong, D. D., S. Keteley.

For Trustees of Columbian College—For clerical votes, Rev. J. M. McCulloch, D. D., H. J. Parrish. Lay votes, Rev. George C. Street, J. N. Balmer.

Lay delegates, representatives, who had not been reserved, were requested to present them to the Secretary's table.

The report of the Committee on Churches was then called for.

The papers from St. Paul's Church, Kankakee, having passed the proper committee, and been declared correct, that church was by an enormous vote admitted into union with the Convention.

Next in order was the Bishop's address, which was heard with profound attention and deep interest.

This was a well written, and undoubtedly, elaborate effort. We can do little more than list its topics to the many points touched, and to many points of interest which could not be spoken of in one or two words. These parts of our sketch are indicated by quotation marks.

The address opened by comparing the analogy between the Jewish and the New Year's Day of the church and the New Year's Day of the secular world, and continued to dwell at some length and very beautifully on the reflections appropriate to the occasion to that event.

"The past year in the history of the church had been fraught with great and marked changes, brought about by the direct dealing of God, and yet, in the language of the Psalmist, "Thou crownest the year with your goodness." Among the great events of the year were the "Lambeth Conference, and the Convention of the Church in the United States, at which the Bishop was present, and to which he was a delegate, and the Bishop's impressions of the Lambeth Conference, and of the Convention of the Church in the United States, but extra Bishops, and their relation to the Church, and their work in the Church, and the Bishop's opinions, and his views upon the subject of the Church, and the Bishop's opinions, and his views upon the subject of the Church, and the Bishop's opinions, and his views upon the subject of